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Date: 1st September 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 7th August 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. Do nurses working in endoscopy obtain patient consent for procedures?

If yes, please confirm whether this applies to all types of endoscopic procedures or only specific ones.

Yes, the nurses that are consent trained will obtain consent.

2. What Agenda for Change (AfC) band are the nurses who undertake consent discussions and obtain patient consent in endoscopy settings?

- Band 5
- Band 6
- Band 7
- Band 8

3. Could you provide details of the competency framework, training requirements, or internal policies that support nurses in undertaking the consent process?

The nurses undertake inhouse training once they have been with the department for 12 months and have a clear knowledge in relation to procedures, risks, benefits and emergency procedures.

They undertake an assessment, observe a set number of consents, are observed for a set number of consents, assessed for consent, once deemed competent they are signed off and a reassessment of skills is completed on a 12 monthly basis.

- a. **If available, please supply any relevant competency documentation or a summary of the training and assessment process.**

Please see the attached nurse consent training.

4. **Could you provide a copy of the consent form used, or a redacted example/template, showing the sections completed by nursing staff when obtaining consent?**

Please see the attached.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



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